



Campus Social Development Centre (CSDC) At a glance

The Campus Social Development Centre (CSDC) is a non-government, non-political & non-profitable organization committed to achieve a knowledge-based, culturally developed & economically self-reliant society in Bangladesh, while the main focus lies on education & youth development. CSDC is registered under the Ministry of Social Welfare of Bangladesh Govt. It evolved in association with some innovative members of civil society and is run by a group of educated, skilled & energetic young citizens. Multi-dimensional activities of CSDC are destined to build a nation of enlightened and cultured people.

Objectives

- ✓ Inspire people to establish truth and justice in all spheres of life;
- ✓ Establish a society free from corruption, terror and all sorts of drug abuses.
- ✓ Alter the self-centered outlook of citizens and induce them to make sacrifice to build the nation;
- ✓ Work for establishing people's rights to think and act freely;
- ✓ Ensure effective and quality education at all education levels;
- ✓ Enrich the nation with advanced thoughts of science & technology;
- ✓ Build a healthy nation and productive work force by inducing health awareness among people.

Activities

CSDC aims to achieve its objectives with various programmes or projects. Some of the CSDC initiatives are briefly discussed below.

Social Awareness Program: CSDC believes that many of our social problems can be eradicated if people are aware of those problems and their inner mind set is mature enough to fight them. Therefore it is building awareness among people about personal and social development issues. It is publishing a wide variety of stickers, desk slips, leaflets, calendar, posters, banners, festoons etc. all of which bear effective slogans on diverse issues. CSDC is trying to build up a social consensus against corruption and crime. CSDC is also planning to undertake programmes to create awareness regarding AIDS, arsenic contamination of water, importance of proper sanitation etc.

Education Development: In order to ensure quality education at all levels, CSDC is pursuing its education development programme. To this end, it is initiating research, workshop and seminars of education development issues.

Library: In order to improve access to knowledge, specially in the remote areas, CSDC has initiated a library movement. At the moment, it has one library in Dhaka under this project, which contains books on various subjects-- academic, political, novels, history & culture, research works, journals, etc. CSDC is planning to establish at least one branch of its library in each district of Bangladesh. Moreover it is planning to start a 'mobile library program' to provide books from door to door.

Capacity Building of the Youth: Under the capacity building programme, CSDC has taken initiative to build the skill of youths on information technology. It is running data entry programmes where students and unemployed youths work on a part-time basis. The philosophy behind the participation of the students is "earn while you learn". CSDC maintains a huge web portal (www.dailyneeds.com.bd) containing a large pool of information necessary for a modern day-to-day life. Youths are also working in developing and maintaining this web portal.

Free Computer Training: CSDC regularly offers free computer training course for poor students and jobless educated youths. More than 700 people have already received training under this program. In future, CSDC will expand the frequency and course coverage of this programme. More advanced courses will also be incorporated.

Health Development Program: Health service project of CSDC is based on the philosophy that 'prevention is better than cure'. Under its health service project, it has the **Computer Meridian Diagnostic (CMD)** facility. This is a diagnostic system that gives analysis of the present state of a person's health by taking information painlessly from skin and finger tips. This helps to detect any possible disease in an early stage and thus helps to maintain a healthy body and an active long life. CSDC is also working to popularize herbal food, medicine & food supplements as substitutes of chemical medicine.

Self Development: For building self-confidence among people and to help them overcome frustrations, CSDC regularly organizes meditation and relaxation programmes. CSDC also gives free spoken English course.

Research: CSDC encourages and initiates research on education, science, youth development, environment, health & family welfare related issues. It also disseminates various research findings among stakeholders.

Workshops and Seminars: CSDC possesses a permanent dialogue platform. It regularly organizes seminars-symposia, workshops & dialogues on issues relating to education, health and youth development. These programmes act as a bridge between the private sector and policy makers.

Child & Women Welfare: CSDC plans to initiate programmes to make women economically self-sufficient and to give them legal aids in support of their rights. It will also generate social awareness against trafficking of women & children, child marriage, dowry and acid violence.

Printing & Publication: CSDC encourages development oriented press & publication programs. It also encourages initiatives to publish quality books and journals on human values and youth development. It trains jobless youths in printing and publication activities.

Disaster Management Support: CSDC has long been pursuing disaster management programme under which it provides supports to distressed people during natural calamities. CSDC induces students & youths to take part in relief & rehabilitation campaign for helping affected people.

Management: CSDC is governed by a number of innovative & resourceful personalities of Bangladesh. It has a General Body to formulate plans which are to be implemented by an Executive Committee (EC). The EC of CSDC comprises seven members headed by the Chairman, Mr. Syed Manzur Elahi (Advisor of former Caretaker Government of Bangladesh, Honorary Consul of Belgium, Chairman of Bangladesh Association of Banks). Decisions are taken in a transparent way through consultation with concerned persons. It follows the system of consultative management. Besides, it has a strong Advisory Body for proper guidance & advice, whenever necessary.

Legal status: CSDC is registered under the Ministry of Social Welfare with registration no DA-07874. Moreover it is in the process of registration under the Societies Registration Act. 1860.

Office facilities: CSDC is housed in the permanent (own) office of its mother organization, the University Campus. The office is situated in the heart of the capital city, Dhaka. It is opposite to Bangladesh Secretariat and close to National Press Club. The office of CSDC is equipped with –

- ✓ fully furnished office space for the executives with constant electricity and water supply;
- ✓ A good number of computers, laser printer and note book;
- ✓ 24-hour internet connection;
- ✓ multimedia projector;
- ✓ furnished seminar room with full sound system;
- ✓ library containing around 6,000 books on different subjects;
- ✓ computer diagnostic apparatus for health check-up;
- ✓ a corner for the herbal and natural product.

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And at last: We believe that philosophically enlightened, educated, honest and healthy citizens are a pre-requisite for the development of Bangladesh. We are committed to work hard to build such a nation. In the pursuit of our programs, we hope to receive continued support & co-operation from those who care for education & youth development and those who dream to achieve a Bangladesh adorned with greater number of skilled & quality people.

You may join CSDC activities in any or all of the following three ways-

1. You may use CSDC as a platform to realize your ideas for a particular social service/work. In that case you can suggest and finance the work and we can do it at your behest;
2. You may select any or some of our activities and contribute accordingly;
3. You may become a Patron-member of CSDC by contributing at least Tk. 10,000 (ten thousand).